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House Resolution 1878

By: Representative Carter of the 175th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Third Day, the Grammy award winning contemporary
- 2 Christian band, and inviting them to appear before the House of Representatives; and for
- 3 other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, Third Day was formed in 1991 in Marietta, Georgia, when singer Mac Powell
- 5 and guitarist Mark Lee, just completing high school, decided to leave their garage band to
- 6 form a band where they could express their faith in God through their music; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the band has also included current members David Carr, Tai Anderson, and
- 8 touring member Scotty Wilbanks, and former members Billy Wilkins, Geof Barkley, and
- 9 Brad Avery; and
- 10 WHEREAS, in recognition of their commitment to spread the teachings of Christianity
- 11 through their music, the band took their name from the biblical account of Jesus who rose
- 12 from the dead on the third day following his crucifixion; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Third Day has been described by Billboard magazine as "not only one of the
- best Christian bands of the 1990's but one of the best rock bands, period"; and
- 15 WHEREAS, since the 1990's the band has only continued to increase in popularity and
- success, establishing an extraordinary musical career which includes 24 GMA Dove Awards,
- 8 Grammy Award nominations, being named one of the Top 10 Contemporary Christian
- 18 artists, 24 number 1 radio singles, 1 RIAA Certified Platinum Record, and 6 Gold Records,
- and now the band has won an unprecedented three Grammy Awards for each of their last
- 20 three studio albums: "Come Together" won the Grammy Award for Best Rock Gospel
- 21 Album of 2002; "Wire" won the Grammy Award for Best Rock Gospel Album of 2004; and
- 22 "Wherever You Are" won the Grammy Award for Best Pop/Contemporary Gospel Album
- 23 of 2006; and

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1 WHEREAS, their new album, "Revelation," releases July 29, 2008, and features 12 new

- 2 songs, adding to the band's rich history of gold and platinum selling records; and
- 3 WHEREAS, the band's success is a tribute to the members' hard work, dedication, and
- 4 amazing musical abilities, and their tremendous achievements and strong proclamation of
- 5 faith have brought great pride to the State of Georgia, the community, and their friends and
- 6 family members; and
- 7 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that this body recognize the many contributions this
- 8 incredibly talented group has made through their inspirational music.
- 9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 10 the members of this body congratulate Third Day for their brilliant success and commend
- 11 them for their contributions to the citizens of this state which they have provided through
- 12 their musical message of faith and hope.
- 13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of Third Day are invited to appear before
- 14 this body at a date and time designated by the Speaker of the House of Representatives for
- 15 the purpose of being recognized and receiving an appropriate copy of this resolution.